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SUBJECT: STOCKPILE DISPOSAL CONSULTATIONS

REF: STATE 70365

1. CONSULTATIONS INDICATED REFTEL WERE HELD IN DEPARTMENT APRIL 17 WITH THAI EMBASSY ECON- FINANCIAL COUNSELOR WIBUL AUNSNUNTA. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN WAS EB/ ISM OFFICER MEYERS.

2. WIBUL WAS GIVEN COPIES OF PRESIDENT' S STOCKPILE MESSAGE TO CONGRESS, WHITE HOUSE FACT SHEET, DRAFT LEGISLATION AND NEW OEP LIST OF STOCKPILE OBJECTIVES. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN THEN EXPLAINED PROPOSALS TO ACCELERATE EXISTING DISPOSAL PLANS, AS DESCRIBED REFTEL, FOR RUBBER; TIN; AND TUNGSTEN. DEPARTMENT DATA SHEET WAS ALSO PROVIDED, SHOWING ALL STOCKPILE DATA ON INDIVIDUAL COMMODITIES CONTAINED REFTEL AND PRECEEDING STOCKPILE DEPTELS.

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3. EXPLAINING THAT THIS CONSULTATION WAS CHIEFLY INTENDED CONVEY INFORMATION FOR TRANSMITTAL TO RTG, DEPARTMENT URGED THAT THAI EMBASSY MAKE EVERY EFFORT RESPOND TO USG PROPOSALS WITHIN TEN WORKING DAYS OF THIS MEETING.

4. WIBUL EXPRESSED OPINION THAT RUBBER DISPOSAL RATE " A BIT HIGH," BUT WAS MORE CONCERNED ABOUT TIN PROGRAM.

ADDED HERE, HOWEVER, THAT HE PERSONALLY THOUGHT TIN PROGRAM COULD BE WORKED OUT IF DISPOSALS MADE " OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS." WIBUL ALSO SAID HE HAS ALREADY INFORMED RTG ABOUT POSSIBLE CHANGES IN GSA DISPOSAL PROGRAMS, AND WILL FOLLOW UP WITH IMMEDIATE REPORT ON HIS CONSULTATIONS WITH US. ROGERS

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